

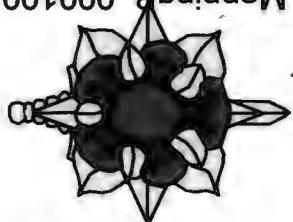
## Issue: Islamic Extremism



- Martyrdom - Life on earth is for suffering
- No secular government
- Conversion or destruction - Zero tolerance for other religions (or any version of Islam differing from their own)
- Convert entire world to their vision of Islam

*Think about the entire world looking like  
Afghanistan under the Taliban*





# The Impact of Islamic “End of Time” Expectations

- The Elimination of God’s Enemies
- The World Subdued
- The Coming of the “Mahdi”



**Muhammad Ahmad  
ibn as Sayyid Abd  
Allah (1884)**

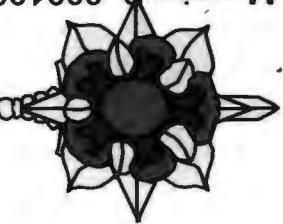


**Hazrat Mirza Ghulam  
Ahmad Qadiani  
(1835-1908)**



**Usama bin Ladin**





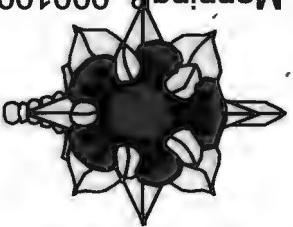
# Terrorism

## US Department of State

Title 22 of the US Code, Section 2656f(d)

- **Terrorism:**  
Premeditated, politically motivated violence perpetrated against noncombatant targets by sub-national groups or clandestine agents, usually intended to influence an audience
- **International Terrorism:**  
Terrorism involving citizens or the territory of more than one country
- **Terrorist Group:**  
Any group practicing, or that has significant subgroups that practice, international terrorism





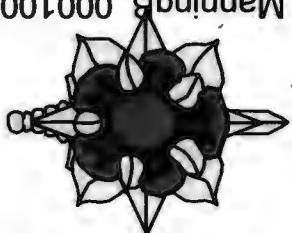
# The Impact of Islamic Extremism on Regional / Global Relations

## Islamist's Perception

### • of Their Enemies

- Islam vs. The State of Israel
- Islam vs. The West
- Islam vs. The Modern World





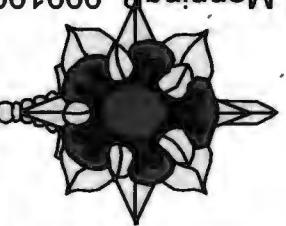
# Al Qaeda

AKA: Usama Bin Ladin Organization



- Extreme Sunni (Wahabi) Islam
- NO religious tolerance
- Loose structure, little secrecy about leadership
- Network with many other like-minded groups
- State support (?)





# Ansar al-Islam (Al)

AKA: Helpers of Islam, Kurdish Taliban

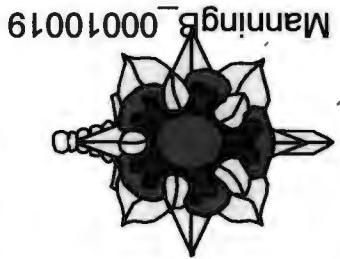


- Kurdish Islamist group
- Established in 2001
- At odds with other Kurdish groups
- Linked to al-Qaeda & Zarqawi
- Responsible for 30 suicide bombings in Iraq

Mullah Krekar

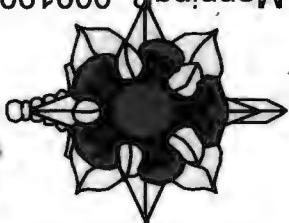


# Ansar al-Sunnah (AS)

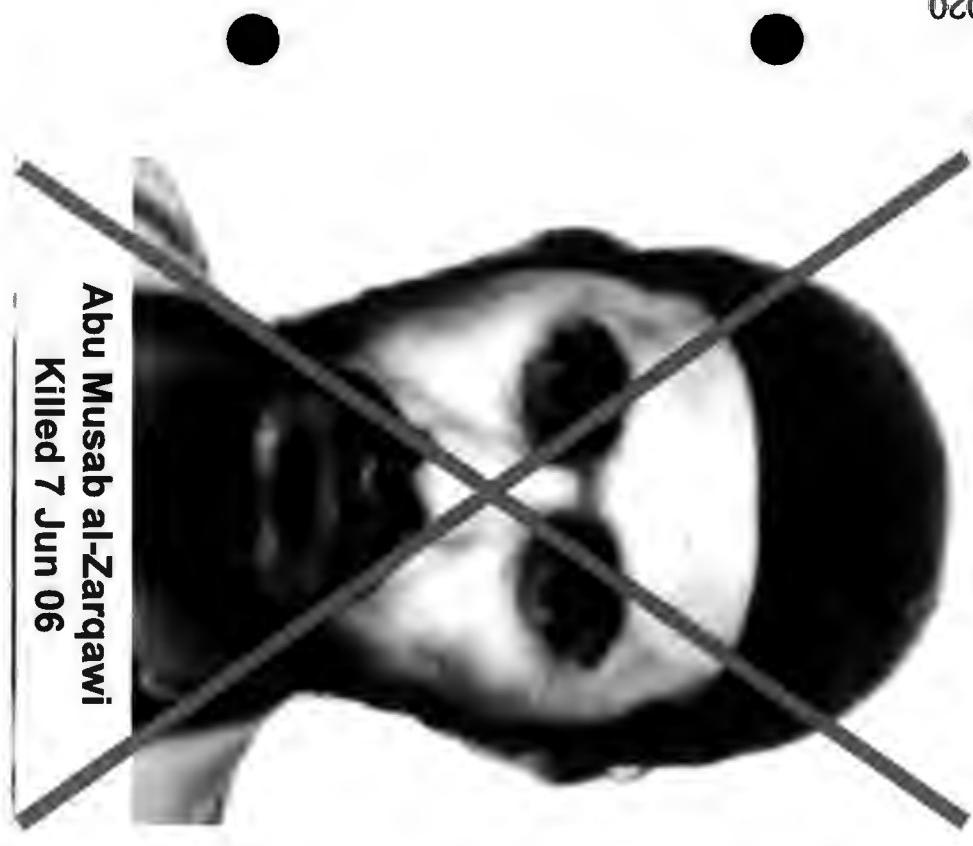


- Dedicated to the establishment of an Islamic state
- Members vary; Ansar al-Islam, foreign al-Qaeda operatives and Iraqi Sunnis
- Sees Kurdish political establishment as a puppet regime of the American occupation





Tanzim Qaeda al-Jihad fi Bilad al-Rafidayn (QJBR)  
AKA: Al Qaeda in Iraq (AQI), Tawhid and Jihad, AQIZ



- “Monotheism and Holy War”

- The al Qaeda Group for Jihad in Iraq

- Ties to al-Qaeda

- Kidnapping and executions

- Has also attacked Iraqi Police & Security Forces

**Abu Ayyub al-Masri**, an Egyptian operative is believed to be the new leader

of Al Qaeda in Iraq.

**Abu Musab al-Zarqawi**

Killed 7 Jun 06

**Forces**

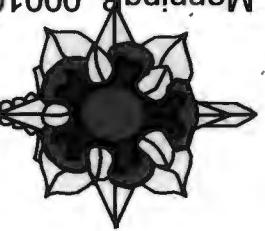


# ISSUE: Extremist Recruiting



Using the Iraq War as their main Terrorist Recruitment Tool





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# Recruiting

Baghdad  
April 2003



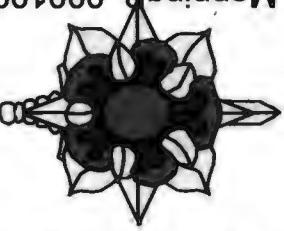
**Islamic extremists are exploiting the  
Iraqi conflict to recruit new anti US  
Jihadists.**



**Women are now being recruited**

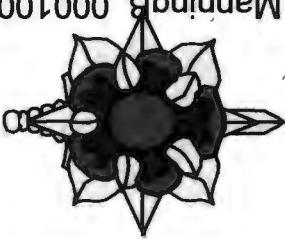


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**Recruiting**



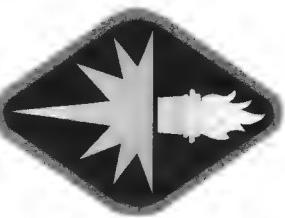


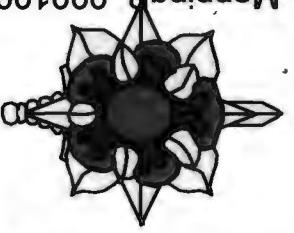
# Recruiting



"No thanks, just browsing."

**Over the last ten years, the number of terrorist sites has jumped from less than 100 to as many as 4,000. Many insurgency groups have many sites and message boards to help their network.**





# Mission End State

- Various and Complex

- Nothing to Lose

- Religious Duty

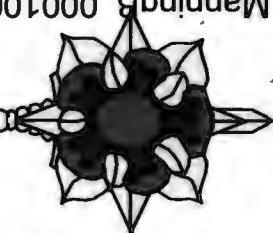
- Only Guarantee of Paradise



The Brutal Present

The Idyllic Future





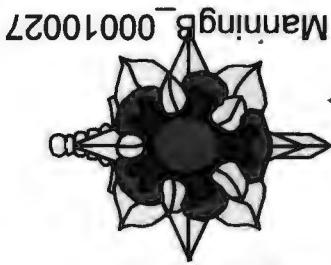
# Mission End State

## Al Qaeda, QJBR, Ansar al-Sunnah & Ansar al-Islam

- To unite Muslims to fight the United States as a means of defeating Israel, overthrowing regimes it deems "non-Islamic" and expelling
- Westerners and non-Muslims from Muslim countries. The establishment of a pan-Islamic caliphate throughout the world.

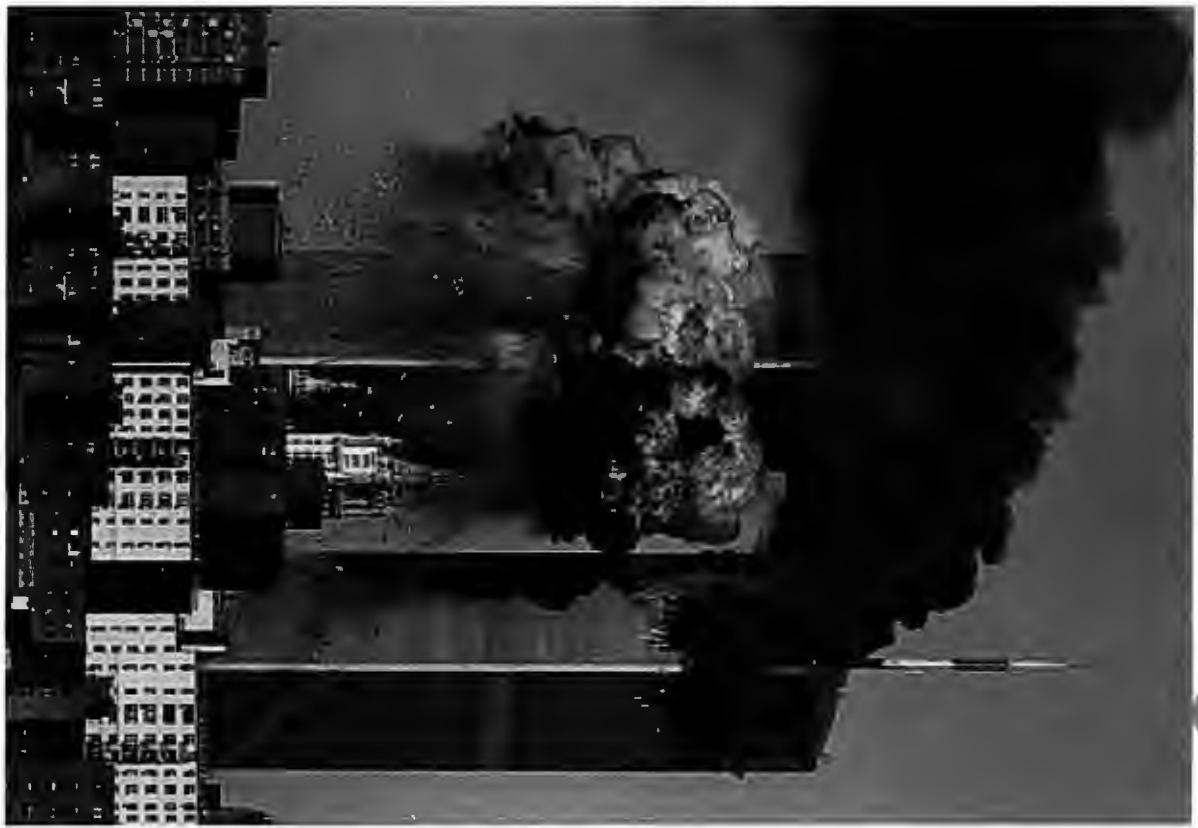


# Mission End State



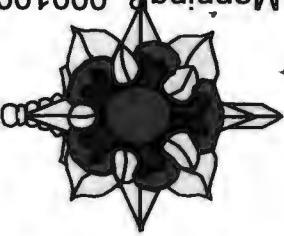
- *"Eventually all people must become Muslim, including the Christians and Jews of the United States. The world has to go the way we want. It's our divine right to lead humanity."*

- **Mohammed Ajmal Qadri**  
Leader of the fundamentalist  
Jamiat Ulema Islam Party



## Student Check

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Name the four Terrorist Groups covered in the lesson.

Al Qaeda

Ansar al-Islam

Ansar al-Sunnah

Al Qaeda in Iraq

# QUESTIONS?

